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LOS ANGELES AREA CHAMPS . . . Pictured above is the Los Angeles Area Catholic Youth Organization championship team in kicking, passing and receiving from Nativity School. The Nativity gridders received awards presented by C. R. Roberts, USC football star, and Don Shinnick, UCLA great, at a recent banquet. In the front row, left to right, are: James Faren, Bobby Schott, Dennis Brunker and Jack Gordon. In the rear, left to right, are: Harvey Faurholt, C. R. Roberts, Richard Battaglia, Don Shinnick, Walt Malonek and Mike Mott.

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North High Varsity Hoop Totals

Eight game totals for the North High varsity basketball team has guard Don Prather leading his Saxon mates in total points scored and average points scored per game.

Prather has bucketed 59 points in six games for a 9.8 average.

Runner-up in the scoring department is Ron Petrelli with 39 tallies in five games for a 7.8 average.

Best average in field goals made is held by Ken Simpson, with 13 shots hitting out of 31 attempts for a 45 per cent mark. Chuck Richardson has the best free throw average, hitting on 17 gift shots out of 26 attempts.

Statistics (figures for eight games):

	FGA	FGM	%	FTA	FTM	%	PF	TP	TG	Avg.
Prather	76	17	22	42	25	59	4	59	6	9.8
Petrelli	38	13	34	26	13	50	16	39	5	7.8
Ritter	50	16	32	17	6	35	18	38	8	4.8
Nissen	31	10	32	25	13	52	10	33	8	4.1
Richardson	24	8	33	26	17	65	7	33	8	4.1
Simpson	31	13	45	10	6	60	16	32	8	4.0
Tremaine	21	6	22	14	8	57	2	20	8	2.5
Scott	10	4	40	6	3	50	7	11	5	2.2
Campbell	10	2	20	5	3	60	3	7	5	1.4
Boyd	8	2	25	0	0	0	0	0	4	1.0
Team totals	299	91	30	171	94	54	81	276	8	34.5

Elementary Leagues Set

The local Recreation Department's elementary basketball leagues will start play Jan. 5 at four central locations. All boys of elementary school age will be eligible to participate.

Two leagues will be organized for the Midget division, seventh and eighth grade boys. North League games will be played in the North High boys' gym on Saturdays, under the leadership of Coach Cliff Graybehl. South-Central Midget games will all be held in the Torrance High boys' gym, also on Saturdays, under the guidance of Coach Fanny Markham.

Fee Wee Leagues, composed of sixth grade boys and under, will be organized into North, South, and Central loops. North League games will be scheduled at North High, Central League games will be played at Greenwood School, and South League contests will be on tap at Newton School.

Nick Dellan will be in charge of the South League while Darol Kusch will coordinate activities in the Central loop. General supervision of all leagues will be under Elmer "Red" Moon, city athletic director.

Brown Takes New Post at Meadow Park

Richard Brown Jr., former secretary of the Torrance YMCA, will take over as vice principal at Meadow Park School in January.

A teacher in the Los Angeles City Schools for the past seven years, Brown served as part time secretary of the YMCA before the present secretary, Joe Wilcox, was hired. He also has been active in YMCA work in Torrance.

Brown is a graduate of Pepperdine College and holds a master's degree from the University of Southern California. He is also a veteran of two years in the Army. In Los Angeles, he taught fourth, fifth, and sixth grades.

He lives with his wife and family at 823 Faysmith Ave. He will take over the vice principal's duties at Meadow Park, due to the planned enlargement of the school due to the opening of new buildings in January.

PLOWING DEPTH

Average farm plowing depth is about six inches.

Ex-Tartar Baron Top Scorer at Long Beach State

Bill Baron, former Torrance High cage star, is currently riding herd on the number one scoring spot of the Long Beach State College varsity hoop squad.

In five game totals recently released by the 49'ers, Baron has scored a total of 96 points for an average effort of 19.6 tallies per contest.

Then lanky, 6'3", sophomore center boosted his average with a 32 point performance against a good Lockyer AAU five. The 32 point total also set a new single game individual performance at Long Beach State.

Long Beach 49'ers Beat Highlanders

Long Beach State College broke a two game losing streak last week as the 49'ers defeated the University of California, Riverside, 90-76 to post their third win of the season.

Riverside scored first and played the favored State squad on even terms until late in the first half when the locals opened up a 39-29 lead. A Highlander rally brought them to within four points at the intermission as the 49'ers maintained a 48-44 advantage.

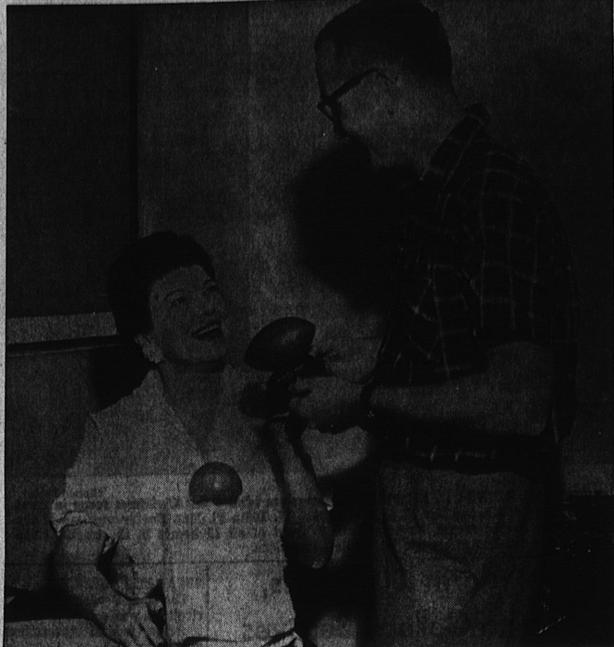
The invaders took charge after the break and evened the count at 48-all, but Long Beach then gradually pulled away to build up a 69-54 margin midway through the final period. The remainder of the game was a free scoring contest as the 49'ers picked up their second win of the season over the Highlanders.

High point man for the night was Bill Baron, former Torrance High cager, with 27 counters. Bob Webster of Riverside, was next high with 25 tallies, while John Miller bucketed 18 points for the Staters.

Next action for the Long Beach five will be Dec. 28 and 29 when they journey north to San Luis Obispo for the Cal Poly Holiday Tournament. The Staters will open the meet against a strong Los Angeles State squad.

Cobb's Record

Ty Cobb won his first American League batting championship in 1907 with an average of .350. His last batting title came in 1919, a span of 12 years, with an average of .384.



BEST GUEST GRID GUESSER . . . Edna Cloyd, HERALD society editor, receives the HERALD's trophy for excellence in football forecasting from Roger Boedecker, HERALD sports editor, while polishing up her crystal ball for her predictions on the New Year's Day classics. Miss Cloyd annexed top guest honors during the regular season, topping ten other grid experts hosted by the HERALD's prognostication panel.

Random Ramblings

By ROGER BOEDECKER

Along about this time of year people start dreaming up a variety of things they would like to have delivered to them on Christmas.

Extending this a little further, I came up with a few items which might be useful to some of the prominent sporting figures in the local area.

Things to be delivered to members of the local high schools' coaching staffs might include:

To Cliff Graybehl and Bill Eling, at North High, a win for next season's North High varsity football team.

To Joe Stuart, at Torrance High, three more cross countrymen like Len Ehlers.

To Fanny Markham, also at Tartarville, a car load of pogo sticks to handle rebounds on the Tartar hoop squad.

Coach Bill Wood, up at North High, would probably appreciate about six inches added to either end of his entire basketball squad.

For Jack Miller and Dick Turner, an extra touchdown in each and every game the Tartar grid squad plays next season.

Back up at North High, about 50 extra Bee football uniforms for Del Nuzum.

Over in the Recreation Department, Elmer "Red" Moon would probably be happy with a couple of extra regulation baseball diamonds for next summer's recreation program.

I don't think Harry Van Belleghem would turn down a neatly packaged Mercedes 190.

For Bucky Kuhn, Swayne Johnson and the Torrance Bluebirds nothing would be better than a season as successful for 1957 as the 1956 campaign.

Also in baseball: To Pierce Venable, a lot of cooperation in producing a booming success for the Pac-Am Babe Ruth League in 1957; To the Torrance American Little League All-Stars, a couple of pitchers to match Jim Cairns for next year's play offs.

Finally, for all the readers in the corner, a very Merry Christmas.

Elms Trailer Park Fetes Residents

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Callon, owners of the Elms Trailer Park on 245th St. in Lomita, entertained all of the tenants of the park with a turkey dinner recently.

Following the dinner the trailerites viewed a motion picture of China, presented by Rev. R. Roth, Rev. Roth, a missionary, left for Singapore, Dec. 20.

The Callons will repeat their Christmas decoration of last year due to the many requests by the park's residents.

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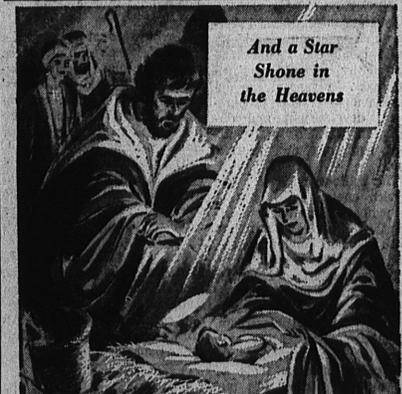
The seventh annual Sam Barry Memorial Basketball Tournament gets underway in Glendale the day following Christmas with the El Camino Warriors and the Ventura Pirates clashing in the first contest at 11:30 a.m.

Last year the Warriors finished fourth in a 16-team field while Los Angeles City College finished first.

Other teams invited to compete in the tourney hosted by Glendale City College are Fullerton, Pasadena, Stockton, LA Valley, Santa Monica, La Harbor, LACC, Reedley, Long Beach, Compton, East LA, Fresno and Bakersfield.

El Camino lost its last pre-holiday meet, dropping an 80-60 decision to Orange Coast JC at Costa Mesa.

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Baron Tenth in Nation Scoring
Bill Baron of Long Beach State College, and former top Torrance High School hoop star, is 10th among the nation's leading small college scorers in basketball to date, according to statistics recently released by the NCAA Press Bureau.

Baron has been working at center and forward for the 49'ers. In the first three games of the season he bucketed 77 points for the State College squad and sports at 25.7 point average per game.

Fred Marberry of Illinois Normal leads the nation with a 32.8 average.

The leaders.

	FG	FT	Pts.	Avg.
Marberry, Ill. Nor'	59	24	194	32.8
Miller, Agerson-D'	73	25	229	31.9
Romano, Susqueha'	36	53	126	31.5
Barnes, Phil. Tex.	55	35	145	29.6
Kasakovich, Scrantn'	46	23	115	28.8
Laskoff, Allegheny	55	29	139	27.8
Pursell, Cal.	66	32	164	27.3
Mahoney, Maine	36	36	108	27.0
Sullivan, Mt. St. M's	27	26	80	26.7
Baron, L. Beach St.	28	21	77	25.7

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